HARRISBURG — Placements of broiler chicks in the Commonwealth during

the week ending December 20 were 2,303,000, according to the Pennsylvania Crop

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The placements were eight percent above the corresponding week a year earlier, and three percent above the previous week. Average placements during the past nine weeks were nine percent above a year ago.

Placements in the 21 key poultry producing states were 78,473,000, one percent above the previous week and two percent above the same week a year earlier.

Average placements in the 21 key states during the past nine weeks were six percent above a year ago.

Broiler-fryers slaughtered in Pennsylvania under federal inspection during the week ending December 10 totaled 1,911,000, with an average liveweight of 3.96 pounds.



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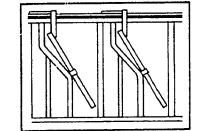
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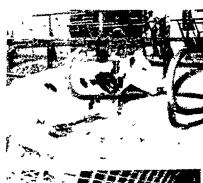
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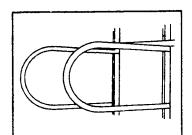
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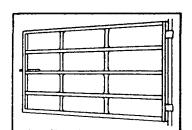
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USDA suspends produce license

HUNTS POINT, N.Y. — A New York firm, Carnet Enterprises of New York, Inc., of Hunts Point has become ineligible to operate in the produce industry under the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act and had its license suspended for failing to pay a reparation award of \$19,020.

U.S. Department of Agriculture officials said the award was in favor of a New York dealer for five loads of plantains purchased between July and December of

The Hunts Point firm had an opportunity to answer the dealer's charges. However, the firm did not respond, and USDA ordered payment of the amount claimed.

The action affects the firm and also its officers and major stockholders, Luis Carnet, who may not be employed by or affiliated with any PACA licensee without USDA approval

Charles Brader, an official with USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service, said the act provides for damages to be paid by those who fail to meet their contractural obligations in buying and selling fresh and frozen fruits and vegetables.

He said interstate traders must be licensed, and the law requires that their licenses be suspended if they fail to pay reparation awards.

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